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FROM T. T. ALLEN, ESQ.,

Superintendent and Remembrancer of Legal Affairs,

TO THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

Dated Calcutta, the 29th June 1891.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the information of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, my report on the result of civil litigation, in which Government was concerned, during the last official year 1890-91.

2. At the close of 1889-90 there were four appeal cases pending in Her Majesty's Privy Council, viz.,—

(1) Maharani Sarat Sundari Debee
versus
The Secretary of State for India in Council.

(2) The Secretary of State for India in Council
versus
Asman Singh and others.

(3) The Maharajah of Durbhungah
versus
The Durbhungah Municipality.

(4) Omrao Begum and others
versus
The Secretary of State for India in Council.

The first case has been remanded to the first court for trial of certain issues framed by the Privy Council, and it has not yet come back. In the third case, the appeal of the Maharajah was decreed, and the High Court's order reversed. The second and fourth cases are still pending in Her Majesty's Privy Council. No new appeal was instituted during the year under review.

3. The result of civil litigation in all the courts of Bengal in which Government was a party during the year 1890-91, as compared with that of the two preceding years, is as follows:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Government ...	338	348	311
Decided against Government ...	155	58	75
Compromised, remanded, or withdrawn ...	57	48	59
Percentage in favour of Government ...	68½	85⅘	80 7/19

4. There is nothing in this result which calls for any special remark. Of the 75 cases shown as decided against Government, 3 were in the High Court, 7 in the lower appellate courts, and 65 in the courts of first instance. Of these 65 cases, 32 were land acquisition cases in which the Collectors' awards were slightly varied by the District Judges on reference to them under section 15.

5. The following is the result of Government litigation in the High Court during the year 1890-91 as compared with that of the two preceding years:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Government ...	23	50	23
Decided against Government ...	...	1	3
Compromised, remanded, or withdrawn ...	...	5	1
Percentage in favour of Government ...	100	98⅓	88 6/13

6. Of the three cases shown as decided against Government in the High Court, two were for *chur* lands lying on the shores of the Bay of Bengal in the district of Backergunge. The Dearah survey having found these lands liable to assessment as in excess—a view confirmed by the Commissioner—this decision was set aside on the report of a civil court amin. I have addressed the Board of Revenue as to the absurdity of keeping up an expensive Dearah survey when the civil court amin is the real final arbiter. The question involved in the third case was as to the currency of the settlement with a certain estate in Cuttack exempted from the general assessment and settlement of that province owing to the destructive action of the cyclone of 1837. Both the Subordinate Judge and the District Judge held that it does not fall under the provisions of Act X (B.C.) of 1867, but the High Court (Prinsep and Banerjee, JJ.) upset that decision on second appeal, mainly because Government officers had taken no action for 18 years after the time when on that view the settlement had expired.

7. The result of Government litigation in the lower appellate courts during the year 1890-91 as compared with that of the two preceding years is as follows:—

		1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Government	...	26	44	45
Decided against Government	...	19	6	7
Compromised, remanded, or withdrawn	...	2	4	1
Percentage in favour of Government	...	57$\frac{7}{5}$	88	86$\frac{12}{13}$

8. Of the seven cases shown as decided against Government in the lower appellate courts, Government was appellant in two and respondent in five cases. None of these cases were of any importance or call for remark, except the case of Radhanath Poddar *versus* Government, where the question at issue was the liability of the Eastern Bengal State Railway for silver coins and notes alleged to have been stolen in transit. The defence was non-compliance with the rules and non-declaration of contents. The matter is now before the High Court on second appeal.

9. The following is the result of Government litigation in the courts of first instance during the year 1890-91 as compared with that of the two preceding years:—

		1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Government	...	289	254	243
Decided against Government	...	136	51	65
Compromised or withdrawn	...	55	39	57
Percentage in favour of Government	...	68$\frac{16}{17}$	83	78$\frac{6}{7}$

10. Leaving aside land acquisition cases, the result would be as follows:—

Decided in favour of Government	...	68	110	110
Decided against Government	...	37	25	33
Compromised or withdrawn	...	12	9	10
Percentage in favour of Government	...	65	81$\frac{1}{2}$	76$\frac{11}{12}$

11. Out of the 33 cases shown as decided against Government, in three Government went to court as plaintiff, and in the rest it was sued as defendant. The three cases in which Government sued as plaintiff unsuccessfully were not of any importance: one had reference to the rent of a cattle pound, another to some *chakran* land, and the third was for land reserved by roadside for road repairs.

12. Of the remaining 30 cases in which Government was defendant, 5 in the district of Furreedpore and 2 in the district of Nuddea were for recovery of possession of large tracts of land on the ground of re-formation *in situ*. The lower courts gave modified decrees to the plaintiffs, and consequently both parties have appealed to the High Court, where the cases are now pending. Eleven other cases were appealed to the District Judge, and in five of them the Moonsiffs' orders were reversed and appeals on behalf of Government decreed: in one, the lower court's order was upheld, and the other appeals are still pending. In 12 cases no appeals were preferred, as they were of no importance and the Government interest at stake was trifling.

13. The following is the result of wards' litigation in all the courts of Bengal during the year 1890-91 as compared with that of the two preceding years:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Court of Wards ...	818	604	711
Decided against Court of Wards ...	110	62	97
Compromised, remanded, or withdrawn ...	43	54	30
Percentage in favour of Court of Wards ...	88¼	90⅔	88

14. The increase in the litigation is only apparent, due to a large number of cases remaining pending at the close of 1889-90, and the courts having decided a greater number of cases than in the preceding year.

15. The result of wards' litigation in the High Court during the last official year, as compared with that of the two previous years, is as follows:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Court of Wards ...	11	14	15
Decided against Court of Wards ...	4	..	6
Compromised, remanded, or withdrawn ...		2	3
Percentage in favour of Court of Wards ...	73⅓	100	71⅔

16. Of the six appeal cases shown as decided adversely to the Court of Wards, in four the Court of Wards was appellant and in two respondent. Of these cases, only one calls for any notice, viz., that noted in the margin. The childless widow of a Midnapore zemindar, before making the adoption of the minor, had borrowed a sum of Rs. 20,000 at 18 per cent. compound interest, with half-yearly rests, the lenders being the Government Pleader and some others. A demand of Rs. 58,652 was made against the estate, and as the widow denied that she had any knowledge of the terms of the loan, and some of the lenders were persons on whom she had previously lent for advice, the demand was resisted by the Court of Wards. The Subordinate Judge gave a decision for the plaintiffs, and that decision was appealed against in the High Court, the Advocate-General being perfectly confident that such a usurious and questionable transaction could never be upheld there. The High Court Bench, consisting of the Chief Justice and Mr. R. F. Rampini, however, confirmed the decision regarding the interest, viz., 18 per cent. compound interest, with half-yearly rests, as not unreasonable. Now, another Bench of the High Court in a similar case having refused to allow as against the minor's estate higher interest than 12 per cent., that case was carried to the Privy Council, whose judgment, since published at page 315, Volume XVIII, Indian Law Reports, Calcutta Series, supports the decision in these words: "Then comes the question, was 12 per cent. a sufficient rate of interest? The widow was borrowing in a case of necessity. It was for the plaintiff to see whether there was really and fairly a ground of necessity. Was there a necessity to borrow at the rate of 18 per cent.? That is a question to which he ought to have applied his mind; and if it were unreasonable to suppose that the widow could not borrow the money at a less amount than 18 per cent., he ought not to have charged her that rate. Their Lordships think therefore that the High Court were right in not allowing interest at a higher rate than 12 per cent." That judgment of the Privy Council is a sufficient justification of the Court of Wards' attitude in resisting such an unjust and usurious claim.

Bhupendro Narain Roy, minor under the Court of Wards—defendant, appellant,
versus
Bhuban Chunder Banerjee and others—plaintiffs, respondents.

17. The result of wards' litigation in the lower appellate courts during the year 1890-91, as compared with that of the two preceding years, is as follows:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of the Court of Wards	62	56	68
Decided against Court of Wards ...	24	13	16
Compromised, remanded, or withdrawn ...	10	10	6
Percentage in favour of Court of Wards ...	72 1/10	81⅓	81

18. Of the 16 appeal cases shown as decided against the Court of Wards, two only appear to have been reported to this office; the others are mostly rent-suit appeals or settlement appeals conducted by the Managers with the sanction of the Commissioners.

19. The following is the result of wards' litigation in the courts of first instance during the year 1890-91 as compared with that of the two preceding years:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Court of Wards ...	745	514	628
Decided against Court of Wards ...	82	49	75
Compromised or withdrawn ...	33	42	21
Percentage in favour of Court of Wards ...	90	91⅓	89⅓

20. Out of the 75 cases shown as decided against the Court of Wards in the courts of first instance, 70 were not reported to this office, being chiefly suits for recovery of arrears of rent or dâk cess or bond debts, a major portion of which were brought on behalf of the Burdwan Raj estate. It is to be noted that out of the 628 suits shown as decided in favour of the Court of Wards, upwards of 400 were instituted and conducted by the Managers at their own responsibility.

21. The following table shows the amount of Government decrees recovered during the year 1890-91 as compared with the two previous years:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Amount under realization ...	67,540	55,247	61,231
Realized during the year ...	30,281	11,659	14,790
Percentage of recovery ...	44⅚	21⅛	24 3/20

22. The realization during the year is a little better than that of the preceding, and the outstanding balance has also been reduced to a certain extent by the remission as irrecoverable of nearly Rs. 5,000. The largest outstanding balances are due from the following districts, viz.,—

Bancoorah, Rs. 5,999.—Almost the whole of this amount is due from one Ashutosh Ghose, noticed in past years' reports. There is very little chance of the decree being fully satisfied.

Tipperah, Rs. 4,607; *Chittagong, Rs.* 2,562.—These are almost all new decrees, pending disposal of appeals, and will, it is hoped, be realized during the ensuing year.

Balasore, Rs. 6,935.—The judgment-debtor, Rajah Baikunto Nath De, Bahadur, had appealed to the High Court, and his appeal was decided only at the latter end of the year. Steps will now be taken for the realization of the amount.

23. The following table shows the amount of wards' decrees recovered during the year 1890-91 as compared with the two previous years:—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Amount under realization ...	13,94,090	11,74,880	11,92,016
Realized during the year ...	2,68,027	2,15,720	1,54,504
Percentage of recovery ...	19¼	18½	13

24. The realization during the year is not at all favourable. There was a large outstanding balance at the close of the last official year on account of the Nurhan estate in the district of Durbhungah, but the Manager has not submitted his annual statement, although repeatedly called for Statements of the Pogose estate and that of Hurogobind Lushkur in the district of Mymensingh have not also been received.

25. The largest outstanding balance is due from the Burdwan Raj estate, viz. Rs. 2,75,382. Out of this amount upwards of Rs 40,000 are said to be barred by limitation, and the Manager says that a statement is under preparation for submission to the Commissioner with a view to writing off the amount. In a great many cases the debtors are said to have no property, and the rest is

under execution. The other estates in which outstandings are large are given below, viz.,—

	Rs.
Gya—	
Tikari estate	1,81,569
Rajshahye—	
Dighaputia estate—	
Eldest ward	51,982
Three younger wards	99,113
Shahabad—	
Deokumar and Dhurm Kumar's estate ...	60,615
Mymensingh—	
Dhankura estate	55,163
Backergunge—	
Dukhin Shahbazpore estate	48,810
24-Pergunnahs—	
Boroda Prasad Roy Chowdhury's estate ...	39,990
Bhagulpore—	
Srinuggur estate	35,421
Patna—	
Sukhraj Roy's estate	24,641
Balasore—	
Shahabunder estate	16,982
Midnapore—	
Khettrohat estate	16,177
Basudebpore ,, ...	14,200

26 The following changes occurred in the office of District Government Pleaders during the year. A vacancy having occurred at Midnapore by the death of Rai Bepin Bihari Dutt Bahadur, Baboo Denonath Dhur, Government Pleader of Darjeeling, was transferred to Midnapore; Baboo Mohendra Nath Banerjee, Government Pleader of Dacca, was transferred to Darjeeling; and Baboo Troylucko Nath Bose, M.A., B.L., was appointed Government Pleader of Dacca,—*vide* Government order No. 583J, dated 5th February 1891. The services of Baboo Nursing Chunder Mitter, Government Pleader of Sarun, having been dispensed with, Baboo Durga Prosad was appointed in his place by Government order No. J $2\frac{P}{12}4$, dated 1st September 1890.

27. The office was in my charge during the whole of the year under report.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

T. T. ALLEN,

Supdt. and Remembrancer of Legal Affairs.

A.

Cases instituted to establish some substantial right.

	Total	Decisions.						Pending.	
		Favourable.		Unfavourable.		Withdrawn, compromised or remanded.			
	No.	No.	Value. Rs.	No.	Value. Rs.	No.	Value. Rs.	No.	value. Rs.
(2) Suits to establish a title to hold land rent-free or at a fixed assessment.									
High Court ..	15	2	1,791	3	11,949	...	...	10	1,133
Zillah appeals	14	11	1,160	...	...	...	..	3	138
Original suits ...	4	2	191	1	49	...	...	1	5,500
Total ..	33	15	3,142	4	11,998	...	...	14	6,771
(3) Suits for land arising out of settlement proceedings.									
High Court ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ...	2	..	...	1	1,100	...	...	1	250
Original suits ...	2	2	352	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	4	2	352	1	1,100	...	...	1	250
(4) Suits to establish a title to engage for lands under settlement.									
High Court ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ...	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	45
Original suits ...	8	6	249	1	4	...	..	1	20
Total ...	11	8	249	1	4	...	...	2	65
(5) Suits to establish a title to vacant possession and properties claimed by or escheated to Government.									
High Court ..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals .	2	1	604	1	137	...	...	..	
Original suits ..	4	2	2,794	1	604	...		1	7,585
Total ...	6	3	3,398	2	741	...	...	1	7,585
(6) Suits for reinstatement in office from which claimants have been dismissed by local agents or other authorities.									
High Court ...	...	...	..	.	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Original suits ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
(7) Suits for recovery of salaries, malikana, pension, fees, &c., &c.									
High Court ...	1	1	2,000	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.
Original suits ...	4	1	327	...	...	1	1,944	2	362
Total ...	5	2	2,327	...	...	1	1,944	2	362
(8) Suits for recovery of sums unjustly realized, or for the recovery of rents unduly levied, or for the recovery of receipts of rent, or for exoneration from unjust demands.									
High Court	1	..	... ..	...	.....	...	.....	1	... .
Zillah appeals ...	5	2	96	..	.....	...	.....	3	407
Original suits ...	16	8	2,638	6	334	...	.....	2	243
Total ...	22	10	2,734	6	334	...	.....	6	740
(9) Suits for wasilat, or for the recovery of costs or surplus collections after an adjustment of account or value of property or purchase-money.									
High Court	7	1	.....	...	.....	1	1,300	5	7,900
Zillah appeals ...	15	12	4,693	1	672	...	.....	2	2 741
Original suits ...	49	21	13,957	6	6,224	1	85	21	22,417
Total ...	71	34	18,650	7	6,896	2	1,385	28	33,058
(10) Suits to obtain possession of land, estates or other property, for the recovery of rents or bond debts.									
High Court	16	3	10,611	...	... .	...	.....	13	70,630
Zillah appeals ...	22	11	1,481	3	1,049	...	... .	8	3,703
Original suits ...	118	30	61,326	12	72,740	6	5,925	70	4,59,699
Total ...	156	44	73,418	15	73,789	6	5,925	91	5,34,032
(11) Suits in which Government is made a defendant *pro formâ*.									
High Court	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Zillah appeals ,,.	...	...	.... .	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Original suits ..	1	1	16,36,000	...	.....	...	... ..	...	.. ...
Total .	1	1	16,36,000	..	.....	...	.....	...	.....
(12) Probate cases.									
High Court ..	...	..	... ..	...	.....	...	... ..	...	..
Zillah appeals .	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Original suits ..			... ..	...		...	... ..	...	.. ...
Total ..	.	...	.....	...	.....	..	.....	...	..

B.

Cases instituted to obtain redress from official acts.

	Total.	Decisions.		Withdrawn, compromised or remanded.	Pending.
		Favourable.	Unfavourable.		

(2) Suits for the reversal of revenue sales on the plea of informality, non-liability, &c.

	No.	No.	Value. Rs.	No.	Value Rs.	No.	Value. Rs.	No.	Value. Rs
High Court .. .	3	1	.	...	...		..	2	440
Zillah appeals .	5	3	1,367			..	.	2	2,879
Original suits	27	15	1,38,432	3	3,351	.	..	9	84,219
Total ..	35	19	1,39,799	3	3,351	...	..	13	87,538

(3) Suits for the reversal of sales in execution of decrees on the plea of informality, non-liability, &c.

High Court ...	1		...	.	...	...	...	1	500
Zillah appeals ..	...			...	. .	...	...	..	
Original suits . .	7	1	11,952		...	...		6	5 815
Total ...	8	1	11,952	...	..	...	...	7	6,315

(4) Suits for the reversal of sales of property pledged as security on the plea that the property sold was not liable, or on other pleas.

High Court ...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ..	...		..	.	...	...	..	...	...
Original suits .	...		...	...	...	...	...	..	..
Total .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	. .	...

(5) Suits to stay revenue sales in execution of decrees or sales of property pleged as security.

High Court ...	...	...	. .		.	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	.
Original suits ...	1	..	..	...	..	...	...	1	1,389
Total ...	1	...	.	...	..	.	..	1	1,389

(6) Suits of third partie advancing claims to land or moveable property attached or sold by Government as belonging to others.

High Court	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	.	...
Zillah appeals ...	1	..	..	.	...	.	...	1	104
Original suits ...	1	1	105		.	. .	...	...	.
Total ...	2	1	105	..	...	...	...	1	104

(7) Suits improperly instituted against officers in their official capacity over which the Civil Court has no jurisdiction.

High Court	...	...	...	...		...	...		...
Zillah appeals ...	...	.	...	...		...		...	...
Original suits ...	1	1	50	..	...	..	..		
Total ...	1	1	50		.		.	..	

(8) Suits to contest order reversing sales, or regarding confirmation or quashing of butwarrahs or the imposition of fines.

High Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...
Zillah appeals ...		...	..	...	...	...	.	...	...
Original suits ..	1	...	..	...	...	...	..	1	1,005
Total ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1,005

(9) Suits for damages on account of acts done by revenue or other officers.

High Court		...	...	...	...	...	..	.	..
Zillah appeals ..	6	2	919	1	4,292	...	...	3	2,744
Origina suits ...	8	4	8,272	...	...	1	7,316	3	7,218
Total ...	14	6	9,191	1	4,292	1	7,316	6	9 962

C.

Cases in which Government is plaintiff.

	Total.	Decisions.				Withdrawn, compromised or remanded.		Pending.	
		Favourable.		Unfavourable.					
	No.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
			Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
(2) Suits to establish a title to assess or levy enhanced assessment.									
High Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Zillah appeals ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	30	...	...
Original suits ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total ..	1	...	...	...	...	1	30	...	...
(3) Suits for the recovery of sums misappropriated from defaulters or their sureties.									
High Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Original suits ...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
(4) Suits for refund of money paid to parties not entitled to it.									
High Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	.	...
Original suits ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
(5) Suits for the recovery of sums from parties or their sureties for non-fulfilment of contracts									
High Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Original suits ..	2	...	...	1	140	...	...	1	12,100
Total ..	2	...	...	1	140	...	...	1	12,100
(6) Suits for possession of land, or for recovery of debt, or for damages.									
High Court	3	1	800	...	...	...	...	2	12,300
Zillah appeals ...	4	1	800	...	...	...	...	3	3,204
Original suits ...	40	15	13,086	2	135	1	561	22	45,757
Total ...	47	17	14,686	2	135	1	561	27	61,261
(7) Suits to impose fines for the infraction of salt laws.									
High Court	17	13	...	...	...	...	...	4	2,915
Zillah appeals ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Original suits ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	17	13	...	...	...	...	...	4	2,915
(8) Land Acquisition cases under Act X of 1870.									
High Court ...	5	1	4,000	...	...	...	...	4	1,19,360
Zillah appeals ...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Original suits ...	331	133	2,22,199	32	47,038	47	2,20,385	119	1,42,370
Total ...	336	134	2,26,199	32	47,038	47	2,20,385	123	2,61,730
(9) Interpleader suits under section 470, Act XIV of 1882.									
High Court ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Original suits ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
(10) Cases under section 537 of the Civil Procedure Code.									
High Court ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zillah appeals ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Original suits ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

D.

General Abstract Statement of Suits in the Civil Courts of Bengal in which Government is a party disposed of and pending in the year 1890-91.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
				ORIGINAL SUITS.									APPEAL SUITS.								
				DECIDED WITHIN THE YEAR.									DECIDED WITHIN THE YEAR.								
				In favour of Government.	Against Government.	Compromised.	Withdrawn.						In favour of Government.	Against Government.	Compromised.	Withdrawn.	Remanded				
NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	Number of suits pending on the 31st March 1890.	Number of suits instituted from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.	Total.	Cases in which Government is plaintiff. / Cases in which Government is defendant.	Cases in which Government is plaintiff. / Cases in which Government is defendant.	Cases in which Government is plaintiff. / Cases in which Government is defendant.	Cases in which Government is plaintiff. / Cases in which Government is defendant. / Total decided.		Pending on the 31st March 1891.	Number of appeals pending on the 31st March 1890.	Number of appeals instituted from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.	Total.	Cases in which Government is appellant. / Cases in which Government is respondent.	Cases in which Government is appellant. / Cases in which Government is respondent.	Cases in which Government is appellant. / Cases in which Government is respondent.	Cases in which Government is appellant. / Cases in which Government is respondent.	Cases in which Government is appellant / Cases in which Government is respondent.	Total decided.	Pending on the 31st March 1891.	Number of cases in which Government was cast twice	REMARKS.
High Court		...		. ...	... ...	... ...		...	...	(a) 14	55	69	1 22	3	...	...	1	27	42	..	
Bankurah	(b)5	3	8	.. 5	... ..	... ...	..	5	3	5	1	6	... 5	1 ...	...	... ...	. ...	6		1	..
Burdwan .	13	15	28	12 2	1 ..	... 1	... ..	16	12		2	2	... ..	... ...	.. ...	. ..	... .		2	..	...
Beerbhoom .	...	1	1	1	.. ..	... ..		1	..	1	..	1	1	...	.. ...	.	... .	1		...	
Hooghly ...	6	11	17	2 8	... 1	..		11	6	..	1	1	1		...	.. .	.. .	1	..	.	..
Midnapore ..	(c) 8	9	17	2 7	1 1	... 1		12	5	1	1	2	... 1	.. ..	..	...	1 ..	2	.		...
Jessore ..	2	...	2	... ...		... ..	..		2			...	... ...	... ..	.. ..		..	...			..
Khoolna ..	3	1	4	2	1	... ..	... ..	3	1	...	...	...	... ...	. ..		.. ..	.			.	..
Moorshedabad	(d)2	2	4	1 1	... ...	.. .	1	3	1	..	1	1	... .	. ..		... ...	...	..	1		.
Nuddea ..	4	4	8	3	... 2		. ..	5	3	..	2	2	...	.. ..	. ..	. ...	.	...	2	.	...
24-Pergunnahs .	13	257	270	112 5	14 2	. ..	47	180	90	..	2	2	...	... 1	.	..	. ...	1	1	.	.
Bogra ..	1	.	1	1	.. ..		..	1	.	.	..	...	... ...	...	..	. .	. ..	...	.	...	..
Dinagepore ..	1	1	2	... 2	...		..	2	...		1	1	... ...	...	... ..	..		...	1	.	..
Pubna ...	7	16	23	. ...	... ...	.. 3	... ..	3	20	2	1	3	1 1	... ...	... .	.	... ..	2	1		
Rajshahye	1	2	3	2	. .			2	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	. .	... ..	1		..	..
Rungpore	...			..	..		. ..	...	..		.	..	.. ...	. ...	... ..	.	..	...		..	..
Darjeeling ...	1		1		... ...		...	..	1	...	...		. ...	...	.. ..	.. .	.	...	.		..
Julpigoree	3	...	3	... 2	...		1	.. ...	3		...	1	1	1	.. ..	.. .	.	1	.	...	.
Backergunge ..	3	2	5	.. 2	.		..	.. ...	2	3	..	2	2	2	...	. ..	. ...	2		..	..
Dacca ...	19	52	71	5 4	13 4	.		.	26	45	3	2	5	... 1	. 2	.	.	3	2	.	..
Furreedpore	9	11	20	5 2	1 7			.	15	5	1	2	3	. ..	.	. .	..		3		..
Mymensingh	5	14	19	. 6	...	.. 1		..	7	12	.	1	1	.		. .		..	1		...
Chittagong ..	25	31	56	2 28	.. 9	.. .	...	..	30	17	13	19	32	6 16	1 .	.	.	.. ...	23	0	1 .
Noakhally .	(e)1	4	5	2	1	. ..	.		3	2	...	3	3	... 2		.	...	..	2	1	.
Tipperah	2	16	18	1	.. 1	.	..		2	16	1		1	.. 1	...	. .	.. .	...	1	..	
Chumparun ...		..	...	...	.. ...	...	...		..	.	...			..	..			.		...	...
Durbhungah ..	3		3	1 2	... ..	.	.		3		.	2	2	... ...	... .		.. ...	..	2		...
Gya	1	3	4	. .	. .	..				4	.	..		...	... .	.. .	..		.	...	..
Mozufferpore ..	2	1	3	1 1	1 .	. .			3	...	...	1	1	.. .	..	. .			1	...	..
Patna ...	6	6	12	2 2	2 2	.. ..	..	.	8	4	1	2	3	1 1	. 1	..	.. ..	3		...	..
Sarun	2	2	4	1 1	... ..	.. ..			2	2	..	.		..	..		.	...	...	..	.
Shahabad	1	1	2	2	... ...	.. .	..	..	2		..	1	1		1	..	.. ..	1		..	...
Bhagulpore ..	...	...	...	...	... ...	.. ...	.	.	.	...	..	.	.	. ..		... ..	. ...	...	...		...
Maldah	...	1	1	.	. .	... ...	... .		...	1	..		...	...	...	.. .	... ...	.. ...	..	..	...
Monghyr ...	...	3	3	. 2	.. ..	.. .		2	1		.	...			.	... .	... ...	...	.	...	.
Purneah	...	..		..	... ...		..	...	.		...	...	... ..	... ..		. .	..	...	.	...	..
Sonthal Pergunnahs	..	...		.	... ..	. ..	..	.	..	...			...	... ..	...	...		. .	...	...	..
Balasore ...	..		.		...	.. ...	... .	..	...	..	...	.. .	...	... ...	.	... ..	... ..	. ...	...	.	..
Cuttack				..	.. ...	. ...	... ...		...	.	.	2	2	... 2	.	.. .	..	.	2	..	.. .
Pooree	...				... ...	. ..			.			...	..			... .	.. ...	.. .		... .	..
Hazaribagh ..	1	2	3	. 1	... 1	.. ..	.	..	2	1		1	1	1	..	. ..	... ...	... ..	1	..	.
Lohardugga ..	1	1	2		... ...				.	2	.		.		.	... .	... ...	...	..	...	..
Manbhoom ...	2	.	2	.		.. ..	2	.. ...	2					...	.. ..	.	... .	...	.	...	..
Singbhoom ..	..	...	...	..	.	.. ...			...	.	...		.	..	... .	... ...	... ...	.. ...	...	...	.
Total ..	1.3	472	625	148 95	85 30	9	48	.	365	260	43	106	140	12 56	2 8	... ..	...	1 1	80	69	2

(a) There were 16 cases shown as pending in the statement of last year, the difference of two cases is owing to Government not appearing in them.
(b, c, d, e,) The difference is owing to Government not having appeared in the cases.

E.

Statement showing the amount expended in litigation as contrasted with sums actually realized by Government under decrees of Court in the Revenue Department, from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.

Divisions	Districts.	Nature of receipts.				Nature of disbursements.					
		Decrees in civil suits.	Decrees in Privy Council appeals	Decrees in miscellaneous cases.	Total.	Amount including costs awarded against Government in regular suits	In prosecution of suits.	In defence of suits	In Privy Council appeals.	Miscellaneous expenses.	Total.
		Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs	Rs
Burdwan	Burdwan	87			87	..	477	20	.		497
	Bankurah ..	76			76	309		..		194	503
	Beerbhoom ...		...	...	..	184	6	9	..	5	204
	Midnapore ..	105		..	105	312	18	100	.	236	666
	Hooghly	483	...	...	483		218	98	...	...	316
Presidency	24-Pergunnahs ...	3,627	..	..	3,627	4,381	1,001	941	...	706	7,029
	Khoolna	...	...	...	.	..		6	...	6	12
	Nuddea .. .	8		..	8	47	.	403	.	155	605
	Jessore	.		...	..	...	930		..	15	945
	Moorshedabad .	...	..		..		161	10	.	..	171
Rajshahye and Cooch Behar.	Dinagepore .	..	...		...	...		6	...	...	6
	Rajshahye	..			...	...				...	...
	Rungpore ...	...			...			...	...	...	
	Bogra	.		...	.	..			..		..
	Pubna		...	.	..	127	224	244	...	19	614
	Darjeeling	133		..	133	...	...	29	...	11	40
	Julpigoree	1,889	..	...	1,889	...		...		79	79
Dacca ..	Fureedpore	1,320	...	..	1,320	356	1,404	2,316	...	.	4,076
	Dacca ...			654	654	15	...	312	...	107	434
	Backergunge	...	.		.	1,461	21	88	...	...	1,570
	Mymensingh ...		.	...	...		.	189	...	43	232
Chittagong	Tipperah	675	...	...	675	14	..	196	..	291	501
	Noakhally	408	...	..	408	18	15	360		71	473
	Chittagong	1,821	.	...	1,821	205	683	1,804	...	94	2,876
Patna	Patna ...	274	...	...	274	316	137	1,934	...	140	2,527
	Gya	613	.	...	613	.		21	...	167	188
	Shahabad	77	..	...	77	..	..	4	...	1	5
	Durbhungah ...	26	..	...	26		220		..	11,300	11,520
	Mozufferpore ...		..	...	..	...	..	...		61	61
	Sarun	1,052	.	..	1,052	...		37	...	1,057	1,094
	Chumparun	...		...	.	...	..	...	...	.	
Bhagulpore	Monghyr	372	..	..	372	..	58	411	...	...	469
	Bhagulpore ...		...			.	..	...	...	50	50
	Purneah		..	..		...	..		...	13	13
	Maldah	173	...	...	173	...	18	429	...	...	447
	Sonthal Pergunnahs .	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	..	.	
Orissa	Cuttack			...	..	..	...	..		10	10
	Balasore	...		..	...	...	...	318	..	...	318
	Pooree ...	..	.				...	3	...	.	3
Chota Nagpore.	Hazaribagh		..	.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
	Lohardugga		...	...		...	...	...	...	...	
	Manbhoom	17		...	17	...		...	...		1
	Singbhoom ...				..		.	..			.
	Total	14,136	..	654	14,790	7,835	5,592	10,297	.	14,831	38,555

F.

Statement showing the amount expended in litigation as contrasted with sums actually realized by Government under decrees of Court in the Salt and Opium Departments, from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.

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G.

General Abstract Statement showing what portion of the amounts decreed in favour of Government in the Revenue Department was realized and what was outstanding on 1st April 1891.

Divisions.	Districts.	Outstanding on the 1st April 1890.			Awarded in favour of Government from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.			Total.			Realized during 1890-91.			Balance.			Remitted by competent authority.			Net Balance.		
		Principal.	Interest	Cost.	Principal	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal	Interest	Cost.	Principal	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs
Burdwan	Burdwan	65	..	.	378	5	...	443	5		82	5		361		..	...	..	.	361		.
	Bankurah	3,879	1 389	97	442	261	7	4,321	1,650	104	66	2	8	4,255	1,648	96	.	..	.	4,255	1,648	96
	Beerbhoom	485	16	15	...	...	13	485	16	28		...	.	485	16	28	485	16	15	..		13
	Midnapore	100	...	177	427	8	30	527	8	207	87	8	10	440		197		...	.	440	..	197
	Hooghly	544	...	6	1,247	26	28	1,791	26	34	451	23	9	1,340	3	25	86	...	4	1,254	3	21
Presidency	24-Pergunnahs .	3,525	...	31	1,912	309	32	5,437	309	63	3,260	309	58	2,177	..	5	263	...	.	1,914	...	5
	Khoolna	102		173	...	...	..	102	.	173	...	...		102	...	173	101	..	37	1	.	136
	Nuddea	..	...	...	...	...	8	.	...	8	.	...	8	.	..		...	...	.	..	...	...
	Jessore	791	...	3	60	...	3	791	.	6	...	...	...	791	...	6	.	...	...	791	..	6
	Moorshedabad... ...	282	...	1,405	...	...	...	282	...	1,405	.	...	...	282	...	1,405	...	...	..	282	..	1,405
Rajshahye and Cooch Behar.	Dinagepore ...	...	..	...	...	...	6	...	..	6	...	..	...	..	...	6	..	...	...	...	..	6
	Rajshahye	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	..	..	.	...	...	.	
	Rungpore	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	.	...	...	..	...	...	..	.
	Bogra	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	.	.			...	...	.	...	...	
	Pubna	.	109	1,550	..	93	..	..	202	1,550	...	...		..	202	1,550	..	..	..	.	202	1,550
	Darjeeling	139	..	118	.	...	15	139	..	133		...	133	139	..					139	.	...
	Julpigoree	2,996	686	805	446	46	79	3,442	732	884	1,889	...	..	1,553	732	884	1,060	724	878	493	8	6
Dacca ...	Dacca	445	...	1,839	...	...	58	445	..	1,897		..	654	445	...	1,243		..	...	445	.	1,243
	Furreedpore	2,960	...	29	83	71	71	3,043	71	100	1,178	71	71	1,864	...	29	1,246	...	..	618		29
	Backergunge	.	..	...	...	...	44		..	44	...	...	..		..	44		.	...	.	.	44
	Mymensingh . ..	...	...	...	1,681	253	57	1,681	253	57	...	...	...	1,681	253	57		...	.	1,681	253	57
Chittagong	Tipperah	1,523	..	13	3,101	545	100	4,624	545	113	675	..	.	3,949	545	113	...	...	...	3,949	545	113
	Noakhally	1,199	...	...	446	2	29	1,645	2	29	380	2	26	1,265	..	3	.	..	..	1,265	...	3
	Chittagong	(a)1,034	32	190	3,053	85	94	4,087	117	284	1,507	110	204	2,580	7	80	62	...	43	2,518	7	37
Patna ..	Patna	366	...	12	172	...	75	538	.	87	199		75	339	...	12		...	.	339	..	12
	Gya	211	230	325	.	29	25	211	259	350	143	217	253	68	42	97	...	...	...	68	42	97
	Shahabad	224	..	..	253	7	.	477	7	..	70	7	..	407	...		...	...	...	407	.	..
	Durbhungah	316	...	12	724	...	36	1,040	...	46	26	.	...	1,014	...	48		..	.	1,014		48
	Mozufferpore	..	..	.	.	...	..	.	...	.	.	.	.	.				.	.				
	Sarun	2,297	836	256	299	44	24	2,596	880	280	1,557	180	215	1,039	700	65	191	201	...	848	499	65
	Chumparun	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...		..	...	...	..	...		..	..
Bhagulpore	Monghyr	281	2	35	197	1	60	478	3	95	281	3	88	197	...	7	..	..	...	197		7
	Bhagulpore	.	.	.	...	.	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	.	.	...	...	.	..	..
	Purneah	..	...	...	..	...	..	..	.	...	.	...	..	..	...	...	...		...		...	...
	Maldah	105	...	...	474	4	24	579	4	24	145	4	24	434	...	..	...	..	...	434	..	.
	Sonthal Pergunnahs	...	...	..		...	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	..
Orissa	Cuttack	13	...	...	...	...	..	13			...	...	..	13	...			...		13	..	
	Balasore	5,734	...	1,086	...	...	318	5,734	...	1,404	.	...	..	5,734	...	1,404	14	...	189	5,720	.	1,215
	Pooree	...	..	519	...	...	10	...	...	529	...	.	..	.	.	529	...	...	..	...	...	529
Chota Nagpore ...	Hazaribagh	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	.	...	...	1	..	..	...	...	.	1	...	.
	Lohardugga . ..	34	.	4	.	5	...	34	5	4	...	..	...	34	5	4		.	.	34	5	4
	Manbhoom	774	367	50	...	...	...	774	367	50	17	..	.	757	367	50	280	31	50	477	336	.
	Singbhoom	10	..	4	...		1	10	.	5	..	...		10		5		..		10		5
	Total .	30,374	3,667	8,754	15,395	1,794	1,247	45,769	5,461	10,001	12,013	941	1,836	33,756	4,520	8,165	3,788	972	121	29,968	3,548	6,949

(a) The discrepancy is owing to modification of a decree on review.

H.

General Abstract Statement showing what portion of the amounts decreed in favour of Government in the Salt and Opium Departments was realized and what was outstanding on the 1st April 1890.

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General abstract statement of suits in the Civil Courts of Bengal in which the Court of Wards is a party disposed of and pending in the year 1890-91.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	ORIGINAL SUITS.									APPEAL SUITS.										
				DECIDED WITHIN THE YEAR.									DECIDED WITHIN THE YEAR.							
				In favour of Court of Wards.		Against Court of Wards.		Compromised.					In favour of Court of Wards.		Compromised.		Withdrawn.			
NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	Number of suits pending on the 31st March 1890.	Number of suits instituted from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.	Total.	Cases in which Court of Wards is plaintiff.	Cases in which Court of Wards is defendant.	Cases in which Court of Wards is plaintiff.	Cases in which Court of Wards is defendant.	Cases in which Court of Wards is plaintiff.	Cases in which Court of Wards is defendant.	Number of suits pending on the 31st March 1890.	Number of suits instituted from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.	Total.	Cases in which Court of Wards is appellant.	Cases in which Court of Wards is respondent.	Cases in which Court of Wards is appellant.	Cases in which Court of Wards is respondent.	Cases in which Court of Wards is appellant.	Cases in which Court of Wards is respondent.	Total decided.	Pending on the 31st March 1891.
High Court ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	17	40	...	15	4	2	...	...	1	1	...	1	4	16	4
Burdwan	127	92	219	159	3	11	3	...	1	...	1	178	41	3	15	18	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	12	2
Bankurah	50	28	78	63	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	67	11	...	3	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1
Beerbhoom ...	(a) 9	1	10	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	23	15	38	21	2	1	3	...	1	...	...	28	10	...	4	4	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	2
Hooghly	98	76	174	121	4	14	...	...	1	1	1	142	32	1	10	11	2	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	4	...
24-Pergunnahs ...	35	7	42	22	5	1	8	...	...	...	1	37	5	...	6	6	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	1
Nuddea	5	23	28	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore	6	6	12	...	5	...	3	...	1	...	...	9	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Khoolna	...	19	19	5	1	...	1	...	...	...	..	7	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moorshedabad ...	...	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	(b) 6	...	6	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	6	...	...
Dinagepore ...	(c) 1	6	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	(c) 1	17	18	...	10	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	11	7	...
Rajshahye	2	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	1	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Rungpore	...	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pubna	...	12	12	5	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	11	1	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...
Bogra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Julpigoree ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	1	1	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Furreedpore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Backergunge ...	...	3	3	..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Mymensingh ...	10	8	18	2	2	1	4	1	...	...	...	10	8	4	...	4	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...
Chittagong ...	10	13	23	...	12	...	3	...	...	...	...	15	8	3	4	7	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	1
Noakhally	5	15	20	10	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	5	...	5	5	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	...
Tipperah	21	14	35	1	8	...	5	...	2	...	...	16	19	1	3	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	1
Patna	1	2	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sarun	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gya	26	14	40	12	9	1	1	...	1	...	...	24	16	1	6	7	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	...
Shahabad	3	9	12	1	5	...	1	...	1	...	1	9	3	...	1	1	1	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Durbhangah ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mozufferpore ...	1	3	4	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Chumparun ...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Monghyr	2	12	14	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	9	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Bhagulpore ...	9	3	12	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	4	8	7	53	60	10	8	1	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	26	34	1
Maldah	(d) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Purneah	12	8	20	10	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	15	5	(e) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Pergunnahs	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Cuttack	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
Pooree	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hazaribagh ...	3	52	55	41	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	42	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhoom ...	1	6	7	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	5	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Lohardugga ...	40	13	53	33	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	36	17	11	10	21	1	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	15	1
Total ...	503	467	970	552	75	37	38	3	11	2	5	724	246	66	161	227	25	58	14	8	...	...	1	1	6	1	114	113	14

(a) The difference of one case is due to a mistake in the Manager's statement of the last year.
(b) The difference is owing to one appeal case having been shown twice in the last year's statement.
(c) The discrepancy is owing to an appeal case having been inadvertently shown as pending among the original cases.
(d) The Chanchal estate having been released from the hands of the Court of Wards, the cases shown as pending at the close of last year have not been brought forward.
(e) There was one appeal pending on account of the Badour estate, but the estate having been released it has not been brought forward in this.

J.

Statement showing the amount expended in litigation as contrasted with the sums actually realised by the Court of Wards under decrees of Court from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.

Districts.	Names of Estates.	Nature of receipts.				Nature of disbursements.					
		Decrees in civil suits.	Decrees in Privy Council appeals.	Decrees in miscellaneous cases.	Total.	Amount including costs awarded against Court of Wards in regular suits.	In prosecution of suits.	In defence of suits.	In Privy Council appeals.	Miscellaneous expenses.	Total.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Burdwan ...	Burdwan Raj estate ...	56,367	...	13,375	69,742	1,139	25,944	1,108	...	9,482	37,673
	Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bankuran	Supur estate	(Released.)									
Midnapore	Jamirapal estate .	(Released.)									
	Belki ,, ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Beluria ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Beraberia ,, ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Pathra ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Tarkua ,, .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Navabasan ,, ...			..	...	..	...	3	...	...	3
	Malighati ,, ...	(Released.)									
	Khettrohat ,, ...	173	...	...	173	...	...	76	...	131	207
	Basudebpore ,, ...	..	...	...	..	...	...	196	...	2	198
	Barutter Hinglee ,, ...	2,800	...	...	2,800	1,209	176	1,020	157	452	3,014
	Nayagram ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Moheshpore ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	271	...	...	7	278
		614	...	...	614	.	7	24	...	261	292
	Total ...	3,587	...	...	3,587	1,209	454	1,319	157	853	3,993
Moorshedabad.	Nashipore estate (mal)	2,665	...	...	2,665	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ditto (debutter).	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Cassimbazar (A. N. Roy's) estate.	1,456	...	...	1,456	41	8,123	82	...	2,591	10,837
	Sydabad estate	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	4,121	...	...	4,121	41	8,123	82	...	2,591	10,837
Khoolna ...	Syudpore Trust estate...	122	...	...	122	...	...	802	.	...	802
Nuddea ...	Nuddea estate	(Released.)									
24-Pergunnahs.	Baranagore estate ...	8		...	8	...	...		...	175	175
	Bhawanipore (Boroda Prosad Roy's) estate.	428	5,000	...	5,428	116	476	2,111	...	5,647	8,350
	Joynagore estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	436	5,000	...	5,436	116	476	2,111	...	5,822	8,525
Dinagepore	Haripore estate ...	7	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	14	14
	Sunkerpore ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Maldwar ,, ...	921	...	...	921	...	59	...	...	42	101
	Total ...	928	...	...	928	...	59	...	...	56	115
Rungpore	Burdhunkotee estate	...	...	...	...	...	69	...	...	35	104
	Rahametpore ,, ...	69	...	...	69	...	1,029	...	...	1,600	2,629
	I. C. Roy's Trust ,, ...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	69	...	...	69	...	1,098	...	...	1,635	2,733
Rajshahye	Dighaputea estate (eldest ward).	4,808	...	...	4,808	3,051	1,753	994	...	1,181	6,979
	Dighaputea estate (three younger wards).	32,328	...	...	32,328	...	1,765	254	...	280	2,299
	Total ...	37,136	...	...	37,136	3,051	3,518	1,248	...	1,461	9,278
Julpigoree	Pudmabutty estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh.	Dhunkurah estate ...	528	...	6,465	6,993	...	441	151	...	1,814	2,406
	Pogose ,, ...	(Statements not received.)									
	Hurgobind Lushkor's estate.										
	Total ...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Backergunge.	Taruk Kumar Chukerbutty's estate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bepin Behary Das' estate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
	Naba Durga Debya's estate.	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
	Dukhin Shahbazpur estate.	26	...	3,305	3,331	11	859	88	...	...	958
	Total ...	.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Chittagong	Hedait Ally Chowdhury's estate.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Magan Das Roy's estate	25	...	10	35	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Nayan Tara Chowdhrany's (now Jogesh Chunder Roy's) estate.	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	41
	Raj Kissen Banerjee's estate.	...	...	...	...	...	51	...	...	...	51
	Fazl Ally Khan's (Salamat Ally Khan's) estate.	261	...	...	261	22	21	...	...	...	43
	Abdul Fatheh Khan's estate.	70	...	...	70	16	...	...	...	...	16
	Total ...	356	.	10	366	38	113	...	...	...	151

Districts.	Names of Estates.	Nature of receipts.				Nature of disbursements.					
		Decrees in civil suits.	Decrees in Privy Council appeals.	Decrees in miscellaneous cases.	Total.	Amount including costs awarded against Court of Wards in regular suits.	In prosecution of suits.	In defence of suits.	In Privy Council appeals.	Miscellaneous expenses.	Total.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Noakhally	Gunga Charn Mazumdar's estate.	...	...	...	...	...	21	25	...	34	80
	Courjon estate	342	...	88	430	...	400	320	...	77	797
	Panamesh's estate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bhobonjoy Shaha's estate.	58	...	...	58	...	118	34	...	122	274
	Total ...	400	..	88	488	...	539	379	..	233	1,151
Durbhungah	Nurhan estate	(Statement not received.)									
Shahabad ...	Deo Kumar and Dharam Kumar's estate.	1,857	...	88	1,945	...	5,848	5,840	...	479	12,167
	Chand estate of Hurbans Narayan Sing.	1,154	...	...	1,154	...	1,117	...	...	1,163	2,280
	Total ...	3,011	...	88	3,099	...	6,965	5,840	...	1,642	14,447
Patna ..	Bhugwant Narayan Singh's estate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Sukhraj Roy's estate	55	...	...	55	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Musamut Sahadra Kunwar's estate.	(Released.)									
	Kuer Bhagwat Prosad's estate.	2,997	...	...	2,997	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	3,052	...	..	3,052	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gya ...	Tikari estate	7,227	...	...	7,227	164	3,503	147	...	38	3,852
	Deo Raj ,, ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	635	...	90	725
	Total ...	7,227	...	...	7,227	164	3,503	782	...	128	4,577
Maldah ..	Chanchal estate ...	(Released.)									
Bhagalpur	Lugmah estate	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Srinuggur ,, ...	5,598	...	...	5,598	...	1,598	417	...	300	2,315
	Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Cuttack ...	Kanika estate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pooree ...	Ward's estates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Balasore ..	Jamkunda estate ..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Shahabundar ,, ...	743	...	...	743	..	1,469	...	...	...	1,469
Manbhoom	Jhalda estate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Jharia ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	13
	Begoonkoodar estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	192	...	...	...	192
	Nagarkeari ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	555	5	...	4	564
	Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	760	5	...	4	769
Lohardugga	Punjrikallan estate ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hazaribagh	Dhunwar estate	81	...	2,385	2,466	..	...	...	...	1,951	1,951
	Jiridih ,,	(Released.)									
	Satgawan and other encumbered estates.	...	...	...	...	...	259	...	...	1,374	1,633
	Total	81	..	2,385	2,466	...	259	...	...	3,325	3,584
	Grand Total	1,23,788	5,000	25,716	1,54,504	5,769	56,178	14,332	157	29,346	1,05,782

K.

General Abstract Statement showing what portion of the amounts decreed in favour of Court of

Divisions.	Districts.	Names of Estates.	Outstanding on 1st April 1890.			Awarded in favour of Court of Wards from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.			Total.		
			Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Burdwan	Burdwan ...	Burdwan Raj estate...	2,16,047	41,529	12,200	63,036	10,365	4,190	2,79,983	51,894	16,390
	Bankurah ...	Supur estate	(Released.)								
	Midnapore ...	Jamirapal estate...	(Released.)								
		Belki ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Beluria ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Boraberia ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Pathra ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tarkua ,, ...	(a)7	(a)...	(a)...	3	...	...	10	...	..
		Nayabasan ,, ...	(Released.)								
		Malighati ,, ...	48	4	253	...	.....	42	48	4	295
		Khettrohat ,, ..	14,306	320	608	...	909	34	14,306	1,229	642
		Basudebpore ,, ...	8,928	1,330	589	4,453	1,213	487	13,381	2,543	1,076
		Baruttor Hinglee ,, ...	10	6	8	...	...	...	10	6	8
		Nayagram ,, ...	5,553	821	33	573	351	265	6,126	1,172	298
		Moheshpore ,, ...	529	90	10	1,014	30	4	1,543	120	14
		Total ...	29,381	2,571	1,501	6,043	2,503	832	35,424	5,074	2,333
	Moorshedabad	Nashipore estate (mal)	...	...	25	2,231	177	257	2,231	177	282
		Ditto, do. (debutter).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.
		Cassimbazar, (A. N. Roy's) estate.	(b) 4,699	495	(b) 764	1,619	116	40	6,318	611	804
		Sydabad estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total ...	4,699	495	789	3,850	293	297	8,549	788	1,086
	Khoolna ...	Syudpore Trust estate	...	...	578	...	...	224	...	..	802
	Nuddea	Nuddea estate ...	(Released.)								
	24-Pergunnahs	Baranagore estate ...	3,819	230	101	...	...	...	3,819	230	101
		Bhawanipore (Baroda Prosad Roy's) estate.	(a) 40,919	(a) 3,927	(a) 3,428	1,221	23	28	42,140	3,950	3,456
		Joynagore estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total ...	44,738	4,157	3,529	1,221	23	28	45,930	4,180	3,557
	Dinagepore ...	Haripore estate ...	...	...	...	77	3	14	77	3	14
		Sunkerpore ,, ...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...
		Maldwar ,, ...	640	360	357	1,518	21	236	2,158	381	593
		Total ...	640	360	357	1,595	24	250	2,235	384	607
	Rungpore ...	Burdhunkotee estate...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Rahametpore estate ...	...	...	...	332	...	65	332	...	65
		I. C. Roy's Trust estate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Rajshahye ...	Dighaputea estate (eldest ward).	40,433	8,501	4,464	1,936	288	1,078	42,369	8,879	5,542
		Dighaputea estate (three younger wards).	74,870	13,869	8,494	24,721	6,472	3,015	99,591	20,341	11,509
		Total ...	1,15,303	22,460	12,958	26,657	6,760	4,093	1,41,960	29,220	17,051
	Julpigoree ...	Pudmabutty estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca.	Mymensingh ...	Dhankurah estate ...	46,755	3,904	4,542	5,133	984	838	51,888	4,888	5,380
		Pogose estate ...	(Statements not received.)								
		Hurgobind Lushkor's estate.									
		Total ...	46,755	3,904	4,542	5,133	984	838	51,888	4,888	5,380

(a).—Last year, statement for

(b).—The difference is owing to addition of certain decrees unadvertently

Wards in the Revenue Department was realized and what was outstanding on the 1st April 1891.

Realized during 1880-91.			Balance.			Remitted by competent authority.			Net balance.		
Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
59,011	6,154	3,977	2,20,372	45,740	12,422	2,981	156	15	2,17,391	45,584	12,407
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...
48	4	121	...	...	174	...	...	...	...	...	174
...	...	...	14,306	1,229	642	...	...	...	14,306	1,229	642
2,800	...	...	10,581	2,543	1,076	...	...	...	10,581	2,543	1,076
...	...	...	10	6	8	10	6	8	...	...	...
...	...	...	6,126	1,172	298	...	...	...	6,126	1,172	298
534	70	10	1,009	50	4	194	20	4	815	30	...
3,382	74	131	32,042	5,000	2,202	204	26	12	31,838	4,974	2,190
2,231	177	257	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	25
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,356	29	71	4,962	582	733	1,143	113	442	3,819	469	291
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3,587	206	328	4,962	582	758	1,143	113	442	3,819	469	316
...	...	123	...	...	680	...	...	...	...	...	680
8	...	...	3,811	230	101	...	...	...	3,811	230	101
5,292	83	53	36,848	3,867	3,403	3,201	619	308	33,647	3,248	3,095
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5,300	83	53	40,659	4,097	3,504	3,201	619	308	37,458	3,478	3,196
7	...	...	70	3	14	...	...	...	70	3	14
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
640	218	63	1,518	163	530	330	89	143	1,188	74	387
647	218	63	1,588	166	544	330	89	143	1,258	77	401
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
55	...	14	277	...	51	...	...	...	277	...	51
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3,343	635	830	39,026	8,244	4,712	...	...	...	39,026	8,244	4,712
29,917	2,178	233	69,674	18,163	11,276	...	...	...	69,674	18,163	11,276
33,260	2,813	1,063	1,08,700	26,407	15,988	...	...	...	1,08,700	26,407	15,988
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5,030	723	1,231	46,849	4,165	4,149	...	...	...	46,849	4,165	4,149
5,030	723	1,231	46,849	4,165	4,149	...	...	...	46,849	4,165	4,149

this estate was not received.
omitted in the Manager's statement of the last year.

Divisions.	Districts.	Names of Estates.	Outstanding on 1st April 1890.			Awarded in favour of Court of Wards from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.			Total.		
			Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Dacca—*concld.*	Backergunge...	Tarak Kumar Chukerbutty's estate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
		Bepin Behary Das' estate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Naba Durga Debya's estate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dukhin Shahbazpore estate.	28,500	17,734	4,124	2	2,365	865	28,511	20,099	4,989
		Total ...	28,500	17,734	4,124	2	2,365	865	28,511	20,099	4,989
Chittagong	Chittagong ...	Hedait Ally Chowdhury's estate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Magan Das Roy's estate.	40	38	54	21	2	2	61	40	56
		Nayan Tara Chowdhrany's estate, (now Jogesh Chandra Roy's estate.)	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	7
		Rajkissen Banerjee's estate.	...	...	...	4	...	2	4	...	2
		Fazl Ally Khan's (Salamat Ally Khan's estate.)	355	...	2	116	2	35	471	2	37
		Abdul Fatheh Khan's estate.	...	...	...	176	12	7	176	12	7
		Total ...	395	38	63	317	16	46	712	54	109
	Noakhally ...	Gunga Churn Mozumdar's estate.	22	46	43	...	...	3	22	46	46
		Courjon estate ...	...	...	231	64	5	495	64	5	726
		Panameah's estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
		Bhobonjoy Shaha's estate.	4,076	842	453	65	26	97	4,141	868	550
		Total ...	4,098	888	727	129	31	595	4,227	919	1,322
Patna.	Durbhangah ...	Nurhan estate ...	(Statement not received.)								
	Shahabad ...	Deo Kumar and Dharam Kumar's estate.	25,725	5,190	11,419	19,023	725	478	44,748	5,915	11,897
		Chand estate of Harbans Narayan Singh.	1,154	...	...	...	...	...	1,154	...	...
		Total ...	26,879	5,190	11,419	19,023	725	478	45,902	5,915	11,897
	Patna ...	Bhagwant Narayan Singh's estate.	... (c)	... (c)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Sukhraj Roy's estate	22,222	739	...	598	1,074	63	22,820	1,813	63
		Mussamut Sahadra Kunwar's estate.	(Released.) (a)								
		Kuer Bhugwat Prosad's estate.	2,937	...	...	...	60	...	2,937	60	...
		Total ...	25,159	739	...	598	1,134	63	25,757	1,873	63
	Gya ...	Tikari estate... ...	1,56,126	21,674	786	40,823	7,415	1,643	1,96,949	29,089	2,429
		Deo Raj ,, ...	(a) ...	...	...	...	...	406	...	...	406
		Total ...	1,56,126	21,674	786	40,823	7,415	2,049	1,96,949	29,089	2,835
Bhagulpore.	Maldah ...	Chanchal estate ...	(Released.)								
	Bhagulpore ...	Lugmah estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Srinuggur estate ...	49,158	4,932	9,688	9,579	494	1,250	58,737	5,426	10,938
		Total ...	49,158	4,932	9,688	9,579	494	1,250	58,737	5,426	10,938
	Purneah ...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orissa.	Cuttack ..	Kanika estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Pooree ...	Ward's estate ...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	25
	Balasore ...	Jamkunda estate ...	11	2	4	...	...	.	11	2	4
		Shahabundar estate ...	2,471	...	...	13,002	783	1,469	15,473	783	1,469
			2,482	2	4	13,002	783	1,469	15,484	785	1,473
Chota Nagpor	Manbhoom ...	Jhalda estate ...	175	7	(d) 30	...	...	...	175	7	30
		Jharia estate ...	...	...	...	5	...	...	5	...	...
		Bogoonkoodar estate	507	50	16	...	...	...	507.	50	16
		Nagarkeari estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total ...	682	57	46	5	...	...	687	57	46
	Lohardugga ...	Punjrikallan estate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hazaribagh ...	Dhunwar estate ...	2,946	1,127	2,057	...	209	248	2,946	1,336	2,305
		Jiridih estate Satgawan and other encumbered estates.	(Released.) 511	...	...	...	...	...	511	...	...
		Total ...	3,457	1,127	2,057	...	209	248	3,457	1,336	2,305
		Grand Total ...	7,54,509	1,27,857	65,402	1,92,245	34,124	17,880	9,46,753	1,61,981	83,282

(a). Last year, statement for this

(c). The difference is owing to certain decrees not having been shown and in some cases the amount

(d). The discrepancy in owing to an error

Realized during 1890-91.			Balance.			Remitted by competent authority.			Net balance.		
Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.	Principal.	Interest.	Cost.
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,143	569	610	20,368	19,530	4,370	479	603	376	25,889	18,927	3,994
2,143	569	619	20,368	19,530	4,370	479	603	376	25,889	18,927	3,994
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
21	2	12	40	38	44	...	...	...	40	38	44
...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	7
...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	4	...	2
233	...	28	238	2	9	...	...	...	238	2	9
56	9	5	120	3	2	...	...	...	120	3	2
310	11	45	402	43	64	...	...	...	402	43	64
...	...	...	22	46	46	...	...	...	22	46	46
64	5	361	...	...	365	...	...	...	...	...	365
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	20	25	4,128	848	525	...	...	...	4,128	848	525
77	25	386	4,150	894	936	...	...	...	4,150	894	936
1,700	65	180	43,048	5,850	11,717	...	...	...	43,048	5,850	11,717
1,154	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,854	65	180	43,048	5,850	11,717	...	...	...	43,048	5,850	11,717
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
51	2	2	22,769	1,811	61	...	...	...	22,769	1,811	61
2,937	60	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
2,988	62	2	22,769	1 811	61	...	...	...	22,769	1,811	61
5,917	1,155	155	1,91,032	27,934	2,274	37,459	2,212	...	1,53,573	25,722	2,274
...	...	...	...	...	406	...	...	...	...	...	406
5,917	1,155	155	1,91,032	27,934	2,680	37,459	2,212	...	1,53,573	25,722	2,680
...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	. .
4,837	168	593	53,900	5,258	10,345	25,849	4,443	3,790	28,051	815	6,555
4,837	168	593	53,900	5,258	10,345	25,849	4,443	3,790	28,051	815	6,555
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	25
...	...	...	11	2	4	...	...	...	11	2	4
556	66	121	14,017	717	1,348	...	...	...	14,017	717	1,348
556	66	121	14,928	719	1,352	...	...	...	14,928	719	1,352
...	...	...	175	7	30	...	...	...	175	7	30
...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...
...	...	...	507	50	16	...	...	...	507	50	16
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	687	57	46	...	...	...	687	57	46
...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,392	645	429	1,554	691	1,876	920	372	1,147	634	319	729
...	...	...	511	...	...	...	...	...	511	...	...
1,392	645	429	2,065	691	1,876	920	372	1,147	1,145	319	729
1,31,955	13,037	9,512	8,14,798	1,48,945	73,770	72,506	8,633	6,233	7,42,232	1,40,311	67,537

estate was not received.
awarded having been incorrectly stated by the Manager in his statement of the previous year.
having crept in the last year's statement.

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General Abstract Statement showing what portion of the amounts decreed in favour of Government in pauper suits was realized and what was outstanding on the 1st April 1891.

Divisions.	Districts.	Outstanding on the 1st April 1890.			Awarded in favour of Government from 1st April 1890 to 31st March 1891.			Total.			Realized during 1890-91.			Balance.			Remitted by competent authority.			Net balance.			Expended during the year.
		Principal	Interest.	Costs.	Principal.	Interest.	Costs.	Principal.	Interest.	Costs.	Principal.	Interest.	Costs.	Principal.	Interest.	Costs.	Principal	Interest.	Costs.	Principal	Interest.	Costs.	
		Rs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Burdwan	Burdwan	322						322						322						322			2
	Bankurah	351	3	29	705	6	27	1,056	9	56	258	2	27	798	7	29	16			782	7	29	3
	Beerbhoom																						
	Midnapore	10,387		151	4,757		149	15,144		300	1,740		23	13,404		277				13,404		277	69
	Hooghly	4,239		47	1,817	5	32	6,056	5	79	1,176	5	44	4,880		35				4,880		35	40
Presidency	24-Pergunnahs	7,505			1,823		127	9,328		127	521			8,807		127	2,714			6,093		127	215
	Khoolna	1,500		131	688			2,188		131	59			2,129		131	115		44	2,014		87	
	Nuddea																						
	Jessore	3,003		48	158		15	3,161		63	113		7	3,048		56	911		40	2,137		16	28
	Moorshedabad	(a)2,334			501			2,835			77			2,758			1,607			1,151			15
Rajshahye and Cooch Behar.	Dinagepore				78			78						78						78			1
	Rajshahye	2,087		15	64		7	2,151		22	197		22	1,954						1,954			3
	Rungpore																						
	Bogra																						
	Pubna		4	39			33		4	72			24		4	48		4	15			33	3
	Darjeeling																						
	Julpigoree																						
Dacca	Dacca	6,534		253	76		48	6 610		301	57			6,553		301				6,553		301	
	Furreedpore	207			841		4	1,048		4	112		4	936			148			788			50
	Backergunge	(b)1,347		(b)22	776		2	2,123		24	123		11	2,000		13	650			1,350		13	2
	Mymensingh	575			459		10	534		10				534		10	285			549		10	10
Chittagong	Tipperah	278		11	178		26	456		37	53		25	403		12				403		12	17
	Noakhally	432			115		34	547		34	295		14	252		20				252		20	27
	Chittagong	36			56		1	92		1				92		1				92		1	9
Patna	Patna	5,587			1,547			7,134						7,134			1,770			5,364			
	Gya	7,097	21	103	22	31	25	7,119	52	128	1,305		25	5,814	52	103				5,814	52	103	
	Shahabad	1,484		21	11	7	11	1,495	7	32	75	7	11	1,420		21				1,420		21	19
	Durbhangah	2,715		18	11		67	2,726		85	523			2,203		85	280			1,923		85	5
	Mozufferpore	321		56	67		18	388		74	88		11	300		63				300		63	4
	Sarun			30			17			47						47						47	
	Chumparun																						
Bhagulpore	Bhagulpore																						
	Monghyr																						
	Purneah			97			101			198			80			118			64			54	
	Maldah	123		3	257		4	380		7	15			365		7	185		3	180		4	3
	Sonthal Pergunnahs.																						
Orissa	Cuttack			13	6		16	6		29			29	6						6			16
	Pooree																						
	Balasore			742	44		13	44		755	7		13	37		742			23	37		719	13
Chota Nagpore.	Hazaribagh																						
	Lohardugga																						
	Manbhoom	3,030		74	76		5	3,106		79	111		11	2,995		68	942		36	2,053		32	19
	Singbhoom				65		1	65		1	27			38		1				38		1	
	Total	61,294	28	1,903	15,198	49	793	76,492	77	2,696	6,932	14	381	69,560	63	2,315	9,623	4	225	59,937	59	2,090	562

(a).—The discrepancy is owing to an error in the Collector' statement of last year.
(b).—The discrepancies are owing to omission of excess charges made through mistake in the previous year's return.

C. E. G.—Reg. No. 1268J—196—1 7-91.

No. 2928J.

RESOLUTION.

JUDICIAL

Dated Calcutta, the 23rd July 1891.

READ—

The Report on the Legal Affairs of the Government of Bengal for the year 1890-91

Read also—

The Reports for the two preceding years, and the orders of Government thereon

Out of 4 appeal cases pending before the Privy Council at the close of the year 1889-90, only one was decided, the decision being against the Durbhunga Municipality as the respondent. One case was remanded to the first court for trial. No fresh appeal was instituted before the Privy Council during 1890-91.

2. The following statement shows the result of Government litigation in all the Civil Courts during the year 1890-91 as compared with the two previous years:—

	Original cases.			Appeals. Before High Court.			Appeals. Before Lower Courts.			Total		
	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1888-89	1889-90.	1890-91	1888-89	1889-90.	1890-91.	1888 89.	1889-90	1890-91.
Decided in favour of Government	289	254	243	23	50	23	26	44	45	338	348	311
Decided against Government	136	51	65	.	1	3	19	6	7	155	58	75
Compromised remanded or withdrawn	55	39	57		5	1	2	4	1	57	48	59
Percentage in favour of Government (omitting fractions)	69	83	70	100	98	88	58	88	87	69	86	81

3. Taking the litigation in the High Court only, the percentage of cases decided in favour of Government decreased from 98 to 88. No explanation is given for this decrease. Of the three cases shown as decided against Government, two were for *chur* lands lying on the shores of the Bay of Bengal in the district of Backergunge. The question involved in the third case was concerning the currency of the settlement with a certain estate in Cuttack. In the Lower Appellate Courts the percentage of cases decided in favour of Government was 87 as against 88 in the previous year. There was only one important case decided against Government, in which the question at issue was the liability of the Eastern Bengal State Railway for silver coins and notes alleged to have been stolen in transit. The matter is now before the High Court on second appeal. The result of Government litigation in the Courts of First Instance was not favourable, there being a falling off in the proportion of cases decided in favour of Government from 83 to 79. Of the 65 cases decided against Government, 32 were land acquisition cases, in which the Collector's awards were slightly varied by the Judges on reference. Apart from these cases, the percentage in favour of Government would be 77 against 82 in 1889-90 and 65 in 1888-89.

4. The subjoined table shows the result of the litigation in which the Court of Wards was concerned in 1890-91 as compared with the two previous years :—

	Original cases.			Appeals. Before High Court.			Appeals. Before Lower Courts.			Total.		
	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
In favour of Court of Wards	745	514	628	11	14	15	62	56	68	818	584	711
Against Court of Wards	82	40	75	4	...	6	24	13	16	110	62	97
Compromised, remanded or withdrawn	33	42	21	..	2	3	10	10	6	43	54	30
Percentage in favour of Court of Wards (omitting fractions.)	90	91	89	73	100	71	72	81	81	88	90	88

The increase in the litigation is more apparent than real. It is explained that, as there was a considerable arrear at the close of 1889-90, the courts decided a greater number of cases in 1890-91 than in the preceding year. Of the six cases in the High Court decided adversely to the Court of Wards, only one calls for notice, viz., that in which the childless widow of a Midnapur zemindar, before making the adoption of the minor, had borrowed a sum of Rs. 20,000 at 18 per cent. compound interest, with half-yearly rests. A demand of Rs. 58,652 was subsequently made against the estate, but as the widow denied that she had any knowledge of the terms of the loan, the demand was resisted by the Court of Wards. The Subordinate Judge who heard the case gave a decision for the plaintiffs, which was, on appeal, confirmed by the High Court, though as the Legal Remembrancer points out, in another case of the same nature the Court had refused to allow, as against the minor's estate, higher interest than 12 per cent., the judgment being upheld by the Privy Council (I. L. R. XVIII Cal,., 315). In 14 out of the 16 unsuccessful appeals in the Lower Appellate Courts, and in 70 out of the 75 original suits shown as decided against the Court of Wards, no reference was made to the Legal Remembrancer. It is explained that these were chiefly rent suits or settlement appeals, or suits for recovery of arrears of rent or dâk cess or bond debts. Out of the 628 original suits shown as decided in favour of the Court of Wards, upwards of 400 appear to have been instituted by the Managers on their own responsibility.

5. The following table shows the amount of Government decrees recovered during 1890-91 as compared with the two previous years :—

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Amount under realization	67,540	55,247	61,231
Realized during the year	30,281	11,659	14,790
Percentage of recovery	$44\frac{5}{8}$	$21\frac{1}{9}$	$24\frac{3}{20}$

The realizations during the year show a slight improvement as compared with the previous year, but are still far from satisfactory. Nearly Rs. 5,000 were remitted during the year. The largest outstanding balances are due from Bankoora (Rs. 5,999), Tipperah (Rs. 4,607), Chittagong (Rs. 2,562) and Balasore (Rs. 6,935).

6. The following figures show the amount of Wards' decrees recovered during the year as compared with the two previous years :—

	1888 89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Amount under realization ...	13,94,090	11,74,880	11,02,016
Realized during the year ...	2,68,027	2,15,720	1,54,504
Percentage of recovery ...	$19\frac{1}{4}$	$18\frac{1}{2}$	13

The percentage of recovery shows a serious falling off from $18\frac{1}{2}$ to 13 which will be brought to the notice of the Board of Revenue though the Revenue Department. There was a large outstanding balance at the close of the last

official year on account of the Nurhan Estate in the Durbhunga district. It is said that the Manager has not submitted his annual statement, although he has been repeatedly asked for it. The Revenue Department will be requested to take such notice of his conduct as may be deemed proper. The marginally noted estates show the balances specified against each. Out of the amount due from the Burdwan Raj Estate upwards of Rs. 40,000 are barred by limitation, and will have to be written off. In a great many cases the debtors are said to have no property.

	Rs.
Burdwan Raj Estate	2,75,382
Tikari Estate	1,81,569
Dighaputia Estate (eldest ward) . .	51,982
Ditto do (three younger wards)	99,113
Deokumar and Dhurm Kumar's Estate ..	60,615
Dhankura Estate . ..	55,163
Dukhin Shahbazpore Estate	48,810
Baroda Prasad Roy Chowdhury's Estate	39,990
Srinuggur Estate	35,421
Sukhraj Roy's Estate	24,841
Shahabunder Estate	16,982
Khettrohat Estate	16,177
Basudebpore Estate ...	14,200

ORDER—Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Superintendent and Remembrancer of Legal Affairs for information

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

JOHN EDGAR,

Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 2929J.

COPY of the Resolution forwarded to the Superintendent and Remembrancer of Legal Affairs for information.

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

H. LUSON,

Under-Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

CALCUTTA,
The 27th July 1891.

C. E G—Reg. No. 2703C—239—27-7-91.